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Re: Public Comment Period for the Significant Modification of the Hanford Air Operating Permit, Removal of Ten 300 Area Facilities

Dear Mr. Klein and Mr. Fulton:

This letter transmits a copy of the Focus Sheet prepared for the public comment period associated with the referenced Hanford Air Operating Permit (AOP) [Permit 00-05-006] Significant Modification.

The public comment period package includes the following:

- A copy of the Department of Ecology Focus Sheet.
- A copy of *Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis #3 for the 300 Area*, DOE/RL-2005-87, Rev. 0.
- Copies of radioactive emissions licenses within the AOP affecting Buildings 318, 320, 323, 325, 326, 329, 331, 340, 3730, and MO-423 (emission units EP-318-01-S, EP-320-01-S, EP-320-02-S, EP-320-04-S, EP-323-01-S, EP-325-01-S, EP-326-01-S, EP-329-01-S, EP-331-01-V, 340-NT-EX, P-340DECON-001, EP-3730-01-S, and RCF-2-EX) which will be removed from the AOP upon transition to control under *Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act* (CERCLA) documentation.
- Copies of toxic and criteria air pollutant permits for Buildings 325, 329, 331, and 340 (Orders DE 98NWP-004, NWP95-329/300A, 97NM-147, 97NM-137) which will be removed from the AOP upon transition to control under *CERCLA* documentation.

In accordance with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-401-800, the public comment period to review the documents will last a minimum of 30 days. The public comment period will begin August 28, 2006, and end September 29, 2006. A public hearing is not scheduled at this time. If a public hearing is requested during the comment period, the hearing will be held at the



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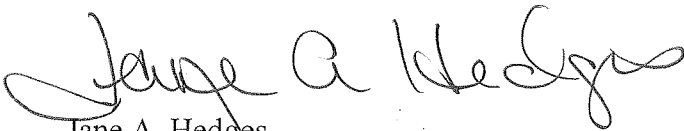
Ecology office, 3100 Port of Benton Boulevard, Richland, after 30 days prior notice of such a hearing. Ecology has distributed copies of the public comment materials for public review to the Hanford Public Information Repositories in Richland, Spokane, and Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon.

When reviewing the AOP Significant Modification, reviewers are directed to the following pages of DOE/RL-2005-87:

- §§ 1.2.3 to 1.2.4 – Pages 1-15 to 1-18
- § 1.3 – Pages 1-18 to 1-19
- § 2.2 – Pages 2-7 to 2-15
- § 4.2.2 – Pages 4-2 to 4-4
- § 5.1.2 – Page 5-3
- § 5.1.5 – Page 5-4
- § 5.4.2 – Page 5-8
- Appendix A, § A.2.4, Pages A-4 to A-7

If there are any questions, contact Doug Hendrickson at 509-372-7983.

Sincerely,



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